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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2022

AN ACT

RELATING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -- RETAIL LICENSES

Introduced By: Representatives Messier, Barros, Kazarian, Alzate, Felix, and Tobon

<u>Date Introduced:</u> February 16, 2022

Referred To: House Municipal Government & Housing

It is enacted by the General Assembly as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 3-7-23 of the General Laws in Chapter 3-7 entitled "Retail Licenses"

is hereby amended to read as follows:

3-7-23. Closing hours for Class A licenses.

The following closing hours shall be observed by all Class A license holders:

(1) November 1 to May 31. No holder of a Class A license shall sell or deliver beverage under that license between the hours of ten o'clock (10:00) p.m. and seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. (local time), except on legal holiday eves at which time the closing hour shall be eleven o'clock (11:00) p.m. In the city of Providence, no holder of a Class A license shall sell or deliver beverages under that license between the hours of ten o'clock (10:00) p.m. and nine o'clock (9:00) a.m. (local time), except on legal holiday eves at which time the closing hour shall be eleven o'clock (11:00) p.m. In the city of Central Falls, no holder of a Class A license shall sell or deliver beverages under that license between the hours of ten o'clock (10:00) p.m. and nine o'clock (9:00) a.m. local time. In the city of Pawtucket, no holder of a Class A license shall sell or deliver beverages under that license between the hours of ten o'clock (10:00) p.m. and nine o'clock (9:00) a.m. (local time), except on legal holiday eves at which time the closing hour shall be eleven o'clock (11:00) p.m. When a legal holiday is celebrated on a Monday, the preceding Saturday shall be considered the holiday eve.

(2) June 1 to October 31. No holder of a class A license shall sell or deliver beverages under this license between the hours of eleven o'clock (11:00) p.m. and seven o'clock (7:00) a.m. (local time). In the cities of Providence, and Central Falls, and Pawtucket, no holder of a Class A

- 1 license shall sell or deliver beverages under that license between the hours of eleven o'clock (11:00)
- p.m. and nine o'clock (9:00) a.m. (local time).
- 3 SECTION 2. This act shall take effect on September 1, 2022.

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EXPLANATION

BY THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

OF

AN ACT

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This act would amend the hours of operation for Class A liquor license holders in
Pawtucket.

This act would take effect on September 1, 2022.

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